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	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
CANTON (Tai Sha Tau) dep.			8.00		8.45		2.20				
SHEK LUNG arr.			9.11		11.30		4.35				
dep.			9.15		11.45		4.40				
Shum Chun arr.			11.07		1.30		6.45				
dep.	Sundays only		11.12	5.07	4.30	11.40	6.55	2.50 1.55	1.00	5.04	6.11
Sheungshui dep.		7.24	7.30	5.13	4.37	11.55		3.01 2.01	1.06	5.10	6.17
Fanling dep.		7.34	—	5.18	4.43	12.02		3.08 2.08	1.10	5.14	6.21
Taipo Market dep.		7.43	—	5.28	4.54	12.08		3.20 2.20	1.21	5.25	6.33
Taipo dep.		7.50	—	5.34	5.00	12.08		3.41 2.38	1.37	5.38	6.48
Shatin dep.		8.01	—	5.47	5.11	12.22		3.54 2.51	1.49	5.52	7.00
Yaumati dep.	7.17	8.14	—	6.01	5.25	12.35		4.08 3.05	2.03	6.05	7.06
Hunghom dep.	7.31	8.30	—	6.07	5.38	12.41		4.14 3.11	2.09	6.09	7.09
KOWLOON arr.	7.34	8.33	11.52	9.10	6.41	12.44	7.35	4.16 3.20	2.20	6.09	7.09

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Stations	No. 4 Local	No. 4a Local	No. 6 Through Express	No. 8 Through Slow	No. 10 Mixed 3rd Class Passenger & Goods	No. 12 Local	No. 14 Joint Second Noon	No. 16 Local	No. 18 Through Express	No. 20 Local	No. 22 Local	No. 24 Local
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Last Ferry leaves .. H.K.	6.25	6.55	7.55	8.55	9.15	10.19	11.46	1.05	1.55 2.45	4.55	5.15	6.05
KOWLOON .. dep.	6.41	7.10	8.07	9.15	9.40	10.32	12.00	1.18	2.10 3.00	5.08	5.28	6.23
Hunghom .. dep.	6.47	—	—	—	—	10.38	12.06	1.22	— —	5.12	—	6.30
Yaumati .. dep.	6.54	7.16	—	9.22	—	10.45	12.11	1.28	— —	5.19	5.41	6.37
Shatin .. dep.	7.06	—	—	9.33	—	10.56	12.24	1.40	— —	5.31	—	7.01
Taipo .. dep.	7.19	—	—	9.53	—	11.08	12.37	1.53	— —	5.47	—	7.06
Taipo Market .. dep.	7.23	—	—	10.02	—	11.07	12.41	1.57	— —	5.51	—	7.15
Fanling .. dep.	7.34	—	—	10.15	—	11.19	12.51	2.07	— —	6.01	—	7.19
Sheungshui .. dep.	7.39	—	—	10.21	—	11.25	12.56	2.11	— —	6.06	—	7.24
Shum Chun .. arr.	7.48	—	8.50	10.31	10.33	11.33	1.03	2.18	— —	6.12	—	—
dep.	—	—	8.55	11.08		—	1.30	—	— —	—	—	—
SHEK LUNG .. arr.	—	—	10.47	1.22		—	3.21	—	— —	—	—	—
dep.	—	—	11.35	1.33		—	—	—	— —	—	—	—
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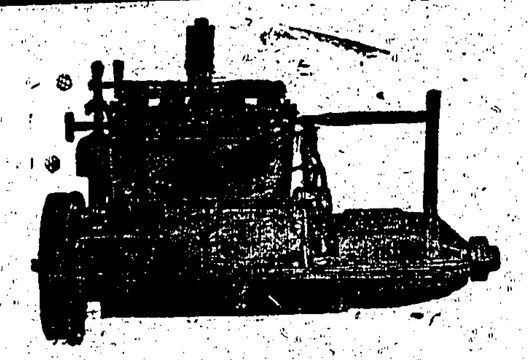
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PRIZE GIVING BY LADY STUBBS.

The annual prize distribution at Kowloon British School took place last evening when Lady Stubbs presented the awards to the successful scholars. Amongst the other visitors were Sir Robert Ho Tung (the donor of the school), the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Mr. E. Irving (Director of Education) and Mr. E. A. Ralphs (Inspector of English Schools).

The Headmaster (Mr. G. F. Nightingale) read the annual report. He said: During the year 1920 there was a great increase in the number of children attending this school. In January there were 83 on the roll, and in December 122. Many left the Colony with their parents in the early part of the year, but so many new pupils were admitted in September and October that the School became overcrowded. Altogether 186 pupils attended the school, 40 more than in 1910. The average daily attendance was 79 in January, 108 in December and 87 during the whole year, an increase of 16. There are to-day 141 on the roll. There were many changes on the staff, several mistresses being transferred to other schools, some resigned and one went on leave Mme. Moussion joined the staff as French Mistress. The discipline and tone of the school were good, being highly praised by the Inspector of English Schools who visited the school on several occasions.

Owing to the great increase in the number of children attending the school, the old system of placing two classes under the control of one mistress, possible when numbers were small (though wrong from the educational standpoint), had to be modified when possible. Shortage of staff and inadequate accommodation, however, militated against much improvement in this respect.

The health of the school was good, though an epidemic of measles caused a decrease of almost 50 per cent. in the attendance of certain classes during January and February. All were medically examined by Dr. Woodman in May and October; very few cases of defects were reported, and those of a very slight character.

The School Library and Reading Room, were well supplied with books, magazines, and illustrated papers by Mr. Joseph and other friends. I desire to thank especially St. George's Society, whose generous donation enabled us to add several volumes to the Library.

In spite of the difficulties met with, the work done by classes 1-6 was very good indeed, excellent results being obtained both in the Hongkong University Examinations and in the Annual School Examination. In the University Examination there were no failures. Two, Leslie Cropley and Elizabeth George were awarded Senior Local certificates and in the Junior Examination 7 passed. Elsa Bell, John Collett, Frances Dunn, Donald Ogilvie, Pearl Ogilvie, B. Rasmussen and Suzanne Weill Elizabeth George passed in eight subjects, including Arithmetic, and Frances Dunn gained distinction in Biblical knowledge. The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's scholarships were awarded to Donald Ogilvie and Elsa Bell and the J. R. M. Smith Scholarship to Pearl Ogilvie. The St. George's Society's prize for the best Essay on St. George and Merrie England was won by L. Cropley; B. Rasmussen was awarded the Navy League (Hongkong) Prize for an Essay on Lord Nelson and E. George the Hongkong British Schools War Memorial Prize.

French was taught in all classes by Mme. Moussion and satisfactory progress was reported. Good progress was made by the Chinese class. The teaching of Geography and nature study and the work of the kindergarten classes were greatly handicapped by the lack of necessary apparatus.

What was chiefly noticeable in the work of the school was the keenness displayed by the majority of the pupils; they were interested in their work and were regular and punctual in attendance. The physical and the social sides of school life were not neglected. The playground was enlarged and now there is ample room for two tennis courts and a court for basket ball. A fives court was built and will be regularly used by the pupils. Great strides were made in boxing by the physical culture class during the cool months of the year. I regret to say that Mr. Thomson, the instructor, has left the Colony, but a friend has volunteered to continue the good work, and when we have proper gymnastic apparatus, which we expect to get shortly, I hope to see the class flourishing again. Football was played twice a week, but the condition of the playing field was far from satisfactory. A suitable ground for both football and Cricket is urgently required by this school. During the summer months swimming was very popular and under Mr. Thomson nearly all the boys and girls became proficient in this very useful art. Gladys Ramsay won the 100 yards Ladies' Championship, Daisy Wichall was third in the Harbour Race, and the school team swam in the final of the Hongkong schools' team race. We thank Mr. Neave, Mr. Davison and the other members of the European staff of the Kowloon Dock for so kindly allowing us to use their bathing beach. There were several launch picnics to Castle Peak and other beaches.

After giving an account of the principal social and sporting events in the school year, the report continued:—

I must record my appreciation of the work done during the past ten years by Mrs. Wilkie who was one of the first pupils of this school. She went home and, after her return, came here first as a pupil teacher and afterwards as assistant mistress. Throughout she was an ideal teacher, full of enthusiasm, and had the gift of gaining the love and esteem of those entrusted to her care. She showed absolute loyalty as a colleague, and the school has suffered a great loss by her departure.

In conclusion I desire to thank Lady Stubbs who has so kindly consented to distribute the prizes; I also thank the staff for their work during the year and the parents and friends who have all given me such splendid support.

PRIZE LIST.

Lady Stubbs distributed the prizes in accordance with the following list:—

SCHOLARSHIPS.—1. The J. R. M. Smith scholarship awarded annually to the pupil of Scottish descent who obtains the best results at the Junior Local Examination.—Pearl Ogilvie.

2.—The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company scholarships.—D. Ogilvie and E. Bell.

3.—Government scholarships.—Class 2 J. Collett, Class 3 E. Murphy, Class 4 C. Collett, Class 5 J. Murphy, Class 6 W. Matchin, Class 7 D. Davidson, Class 8 D. Salter (Honorary scholar), and R. Brand.

PRIZES.—Hongkong British Schools War Memorial prize.—E. George.

Rev. C. R. Lindsay's prize for Biblical Knowledge—F. Dunn.

Class 1, E. George; Class 2, B. Davidson (awarded the Headmaster's Prize for Composition), B. Rasmussen, F. Dunn, S. Weill; Class 3, M. Woolley, F. Neave; Class 4, L. Owen, D. Witchell; Class 5, R. Witchell, H. Baynes; Class 6, J. Barth, C. Hammes; Class 7, A. Clark, K. Hammond; Class 8, D. Salter (special prize), R. Woolley, and M. Newton.

INFANTS "A."—K. Nightingale and M. Coole, (first in examination); C. Haigh (third in examination); L. Dunn, (reading, dictation and arithmetic); E. Mead, (reading and dictation); M. Davison (scripture and composition); M. Rattey, (dictation and arithmetic); K. Crook (reading and dictation); K. Gillen, (reading and dictation); C. Dixon, (general progress).

INFANTS "B."—S. Long (first in examination); L. Clarke, (second in examination); A. Fogg (third in examination); F. Leach (reading and recitation); L. Bolderson (general progress); E. Green (general progress).

After the prizes had been distributed two little girls brought Lady Stubbs a handsome bouquet.

Lady Stubbs thanked the school very sincerely for its work on behalf of the Ministering Children's League and said that the school, though it had very little time, did excellent work. Mr. and Mrs. Nightingale were wonderful people to have been able, in spite of illness and other difficulties, to join so heartily in outside work. She was sure the parents would join her in thanking Mr. and Mrs. Nightingale for their work during the year. Lady Stubbs also announced that Girl Guides were really going to be started in Hongkong at last.—(Applause.)—She hoped great things of Kowloon British School in support of the movement. She trusted that girls would join from a keen sense of interest and not merely because their parents urged them to do so. Lady Stubbs hoped to see a good company of Girl Guides from the Kowloon school.—(Applause.)

The scholars gave an entertainment of which the following was the programme:

Song "Sweet as her Roses."
The Pupils.
Dance "Minuet."
C. Hast, K. Heron, D. Heron, K. Nightingale.
Accompanist: E. Bell.
Pianoforte ... "Twilight Melodies," E. Read.
B. Davidson.
Recitation... "Sur la Mort de sa fille," Victor Hugo.
F. Dunn.
Song "Snow Time."
The Pupils.
Pianoforte "The Music Box," Poldini.
K. Heron.
Dance Country Dance.
K. Heron, D. Heron, K. Nightingale, M. Davison.
Accompanist: E. Bell.

THE FAMINE RELIEF DRIVE.

PRESIDENT OF CHINA THE FIRST CONTRIBUTOR.

We have received from the International Relief Committee the following cable:—

PEKING, February 7th.

President Hsu Shih Chang was the first contributor to the National Famine Relief drive. His Excellency gave a thousand dollars, and said he would be happy to serve as Honorary President of the Board of patrons. The donation was given, after interview with the Special Committee, headed by Sun Pao Chi, chief of the Customs.

The President approved the plan for the drive.

The Chairman has asked the Military Chief Commissioners and the Civil and Military Governors to join in the national drive, and has notified them of the President's favourable attitude.

SAIGON RICE MARKET.

The Compagnie de Commerce et de Navigation d'Extreme Orient, in their report, dated Saigon, January 20th, state:—

Our market has been weak during the past fortnight and, with the exception of some 10,000 tons of rice sold to the Philippine Island, there is no business to report. The tendency is weak, and with firm offers it may be possible to obtain some reduction on the actual quotation.

The total amount of rice exported from January 1st to 17th, 1921, is 31,235 tons against 34,194 tons in 1920.

We quote to-day:—White Saigon rice, No. 2 sifted, Japan quality, Hongkong $4.60 per picul, f.o.b. Saigon, for January and February shipment.

One of the Government Whips is telling a very good story relative to a recent experience he had in Scotland. He was staying in a hotel where he is well known, and the waiter took the opportunity of starting a discussion on the political situation, into which the Whip in question entered quite freely. After a while the waiter said: "I'll tell you what it is, sir. If things go on as they are doing I don't know what's going to become of us middle classes."

SPORT.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

LOCAL BISLEY.

WON BY CORPL. GRIMES, H.K.V.D.C.

The above open event to "all-comers" was competed for on Saturday, the 5th inst., on King's Park Range, and was an unprecedented success. Weather conditions were ideal. A slight wind varied from 9 to 3 o'clock making it necessary for all marksmen to be careful. In the forenoon the range was mostly occupied by the Services, top score being made by Pte. Goodman, H.K.V.D.C. In the afternoon the civilian element practically monopolised the range. Some very good scores were made at the conclusion of the day's shooting.

The prizes were presented to the winners by Lieut.-Colonel Bird, D.S.O., H.K.V.D.C., who, in a few well-chosen words, welcomed the members of the Services and congratulated the winners of the prizes. He concluded by saying that the event would be an annual one and he expressed the hope that the Services would be as well represented in future competitions as they had been in this one.

Lieut.-Colonel Bird then presented the prizes won by the Service men, those won by the H.K.V.D.C. being kept back for presentation with other prizes at a Smoking Concert to be held next month. Three cheers were called for Lieut.-Colonel Bird and this closed a very successful day.

The results were as follow:—

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
1st prize, Corpl. Grimes	44	43	47	134
2nd prize, Pte. F. C. Goodman	46	44	42	132
3rd prize, Mr. Swan	42	48	41	131
4th prize, Sergt. S. Clenow, R.M.L.I.	39	47	44	130

Range prize, 200 yards, score 40, A. B. Charlesworth, *Hawkins*.
Range prize, 500 yards, score 48, C. P. O. Shead, *Colombo*.
Range prize, 600 yards, score 46, Sgt. Booker, H.K. Police.

The following are some of the scores:—

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
Mr. Barker, R.N.	40	44	44	128
Sub-Insp. Evans, H.K. Police	41	44	42	127
Sub-Insp. Wilson, H.K. Police.	42	44	41	127
A. B. Charlesworth, H.M.S. *Hawkins*	46	45	35	126
Pte. R. T. Goodman	42	40	43	125
C.S.M. Woolford	41	47	37	125
Eng.-Lieut.-Com. Jackson	42	42	40	124
Cho. Ste. Marsh	43	41	40	124
Mr. Sears	45	40	39	124
Sergt. Booker, H.K. Police.	41	36	46	123
Major Rapson, D.S.O.	44	36	43	123
C.P.O.W. Horton	40	43	40	123
C.P.O. Shead ...	42	48	33	123
Mr. Tapley, R.N.	36	44	39	119
Mr. McGingan...	35	42	41	118
Lieut. Smith ...	41	43	34	118

104 entries for this competition.

THE H.K.V.D.C. RIFLE MEET.

The following is the result of the H.K.V.D.C. Rifle meet held on Sunday, the 6th inst., at King's Park, Corpl. Grimes has shown his skill with the rifle by again wining the Corps Championship with the splendid score of 130. This is the highest score made over the three ranges:

CORPS CHAMPIONSHIPS.

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
1st, Cpl. Grimes	47	47	45	139
2nd, Pte. F. C. Goodman ...	42	45	43	130
3rd, Sgt. Thornhill	40	41	42	125
4th, Pte. R. S. Goodman ...	46	46	30	122

WINNERS OF RANGE PRIZES.

Lieut. Dodwell ... 200 yards score 43
Gunner Frith 500 " " 45
Pte. D. J. Valentine 600 " " 40

REVOLVER, H.K.V.D.C. ONLY.

1st, Corpl Grimes score 28
2nd, Sergt. Thornhill " 25
3rd, Major Rapson " 25

REVOLVER, ALL COMERS.

1st, C.P.O. Shead, H.M.S. *Colombo* score 29
2nd, Eng.-Lt.Comdr. Jackson, H.M.S. *Titania* " 28
3rd, Cpl. Grimes H.K.V.D.C. " 27*
4th, Mr. Noss, H.M.S. *Hawkins* " 27

*—Tie shot off for 3rd and 4th.

The open Revolver Competition as usual provided keen competition there being no less than 270 entries. The winner is to be congratulated on his splendid score of 29 out of a possible 28.

MUSKETRY COMPETITORS NO. 3.

1st, Lce.-Corpl. Lyon score 62
2nd, Pte. P. C. Goodman " 62
3rd, Pte. R. J. Goodman " 62

The competition provided some excitement when there was a tie between Messrs. Goodman and Lyon. It was decided to shoot off the tie—another 5 shots at 300 yards—as the scores were identical, with the result that Lyon won by 3 points.

CADET COMPETITION.

1st, Corpl. McKay score 26
2nd, Sergt. Lyon " 26
3rd, Cadet Polly " 26

These competitors all tied with a score of 26 each. McKay won with the greatest number of bulls, the other two shooting off for 2nd and 3rd place—7 shots at 200 yards—Lyon winning at the shoot off.

HONGKONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

The result of the match in the League fixture between Dockyard Recreation Club and H.M.S. *Alacrity* fired at Taihang Range on Sunday, February 6th, was as follows:—

DOCKYARD RECREATION CLUB.

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
Mr. McGingan...	41	44	36	121
" Drew	40	42	30	112
" Young	33	42	31	106
" Pritchard ...	36	38	31	105
" Johnston ...	39	39	26	103
" Williams ...	38	36	28	102
" K. Salter ...	46	19	35	100
" Longyear ...	31	30	35	96
Total				845

H.M.S. "ALACRITY."

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
Mr. Walkey	38	36	40	114
" Seymour	38	40	34	112
" Jervis	37	46	24	107
" Stenner	35	39	31	105
" Boniface	29	40	29	98
" Ahearn	29	31	30	90
" Seward	38	34	16	88
" Goss	29	18	26	72
Total				786

Dockyard R.C. won by 59 points.

YACHTING.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The result of the 5th Championship event for racing yachts took place, on Sunday, over an 8¼ mile course, viz., Channel Rocks (P.), Cust Rock Buoy (P.), Outer mark-boat on Line (P.), Channel Rocks (P.), and Cust Rock Buoy (P.) with the results given below.

The wind was very variable and at all times light; calm patches at Cust Rock Buoy on the first round and at Channel Rocks on the second enabled the yachts behind to come up on the leaders, upsetting the final positions.

Dorothea scored her second win, *Ailsa* was helped in her points by *Bonito* beating *Daphne*. *Ursula* found her handicap too heavy and succumbed to *Dawn* by a good margin. In the Gaels, *Toinette* secured her fourth win and has apparently established a winning lead for the championship.

HANDICAP CLASS.

Name.	H'cap. on Course.	Corrected Time.	Position	Points For Race	Points Previous	Points To Date
Diana ...	+ 1'22½"	1.25.58½	3	4	26	30
Rolla ...	+ 1'22½"	1.23.57½	2	5	20	25
Orion ...	— 2'45"	1.30.02	6	1	9	10
Dorothea	— 5'30"	1.20.04	1	7	23	30
Gladys ...	— 6'11"	1.27.27	5	2	10	12
Sonia ...	— 6'11"	1.27.12	4	3	17	20

ONE DESIGN CLASS.

Name.	H'cap. on Course.	Corrected Time.	Position	Points For Race	Points Previous	Points To Date.
Ailsa ...	Scratch	1.30.31	1	5	18	23
Bonita ...	Scratch	1.34.42	2	3	9	12
Daphne	Scratch	1.35.46	3	2	17	19
Halcyon	Scratch	D.N.S.	—	—	8	8

HEYWARD-HEYS CLASS.

Name.	Handicap on course.	Corrected Time.	Position	Points For Race	Points Previous	Points To Date.
Ursula...	+ 2'04"	1.37.30	2	4	21	22
Sirius ...	+ 4'07½"	1.40.22½	3	3	5	8
Dawn ...	— 2'45"	1.34.48	1	6	20	26
Lola ...	— 4'07½"	D.N.S.	—	—	—	—
Owl ...	— 8'15"	D.N.S.	—	—	—	—

GAEL CLASS.

Name.	Handicap on Course.	Corrected Time.	Position	Points For Race	Points Previous	Points To Date.
Gael ...	+ 0'41"	1.54.29	4	2	14	16
Toinette	+ 2'04"	1.38.20	1	6	24	30
Joan ...	+ 0'41"	1.38.41	2	4	16	20
Theckla	— 2'04"	D.N.S.	—	—	2	2
Viking ...	Scratch	1.43.10	3	3	4	7

†=Owes; — = receives.

WOOLLEN EXPORT TRADE.

WORLD'S LARGEST CORPORATION.

The *Manchester Guardian* (Commercial contains an important announcement concerning the woollen export trade. Its City Editor discusses the difficulties in exporting to Eastern and South-Eastern Europe and the Continent. "I hear," he writes, "that negotiations have been taking place between woollen manufacturers and merchants, and a scheme recently propounded by Sir Charles Sykes, M.P., is, in its essentials, to be adopted forthwith. A woollen trades export corporation is being formed consisting of members of six woollen and worsted manufacturing associations throughout the country and the Woollen Merchants' Federation. The corporation will act as a clearing house, and will, in association with produce and raw material corporations, endeavour to arrange exchange of goods on a barter basis, if necessary, including the provision of long credit facilities. Besides acting as traders, the corporation, it is understood, will have regard to the general interests of the whole of the wool trade. As far as possible the corporation will act merely as a clearing house for the trade in regard to goods held in stock. The constitution of the corporation will be such as to leave the fullest scope to its members. The corporation, which will be the largest woollen corporation in the world, is complementary to, and not in competition with, private traders.

GOLF NOTES.

[BY ZODIAC.]

The Interport representatives of both teams were hard at practice during the week-end. A special prize for the best 18-hole medal round, from scratch, was presented by Mr. T. W. Hill, and played for on Sunday. It was very gratifying to the supporters of the Hongkong men to see it won by Mr. R. L. D. Wodehouse, with the very good score of 79, with Mr. T. W. Hill second with 81. If these two players can produce this form in to-day's match, then Hongkong's chances of retaining the Cup look particularly rosy. The Shanghai team is a good team from first to last, but, as I predicted, they find the putting extremely difficult at Fanling, after the Shanghai greens, and it is in this department of the game that our men should prove superior. The first pair, Col. Marr Johnson *v.* Mr. T. W. Hill drive off at 9.50 in the morning, and the tee is reserved to 10.32. In the afternoon the first pair drive off at 1.50, the tee being reserved to 2.32 p.m.

I do not know the exact number of players who visited Fanling on Sunday last, but it must have been in the vicinity of a record figure. It was also apparent that some new rule will have to be made to ease the congestion. I doubt whether any players on the old course did their afternoon round under 3 hours, and I know several players were well over the three hours. It will be extremely difficult to form a rule, fair to all, to overcome this difficulty. One way which would probably help, would be to forbid three and fourball matches, on the old course, during the week-end. Another way would be to allow players to have only one round over the old course on Sundays. However, one thing is certain, the Committee must do something before the commencement of another season. I believe a great number of players would be pleased to see fourball matches forbidden; the majority play fourball matches on Sunday afternoon in self-defence, not because they prefer it to a single.

There has been a difference of opinion as to where the War Memorial stone should be placed. The Committee have suggested two sites—one, on the pathway leading from the 18th green on the old course, to the Clubhouse; the other, on the rock between the two tees for the third hole, on the old course. The final choice rests with the members, who are asked to signify their wishes on a notice, which is lying on the table in the men's Clubhouse. I understand the latter position was suggested, as the monument to be erected was considered too paltry to commemorate such a noble sacrifice. As an ex-Service man, I feel I am voicing the views of all who fought in the Great War when I say that the solid block of Hongkong granite is more impressive, and meets the case far better than a more elaborate structure. Let us then have our memorial where it can be seen from the Clubhouse.

Mr. K. S. Morrison has kindly presented a Cup for competition amongst the ladies. It is for the best eclectic card over the first 9 holes of the new course, during the month of February. Competitors must drive from the men's tees.

Last week I made an error in presuming that, in addition to the new golfers' train, from Kowloon at 8.35 a.m., on Sundays and holidays, the 8.7 a.m. train would also be available. I see, owing to the heavy traffic, the Railway Co. are unable to do this.

There was an article recently in one of the home papers regarding the standard ball. It was pointed out that comparatively few players were using the standard ball, and, also, that manufacturers were continuing to make balls that will not meet the necessary requirements. The same state of affairs apparently reigns in this Colony. After the first of May next we shall not be eligible to compete in a competition, unless we play with a standard ball, or unless the Royal Hongkong Golf Club choose to disregard the ruling of the Royal and Ancient Club, which I sincerely trust they will not do. Under the circumstances standard balls ought to be on order now to give us a chance of getting used to them. Manufacturers are very conservative as a rule, and, unless Clubs insist on having standard balls, they will carry on as before, and we shall find, especially in the Far East, that standard balls are as difficult to obtain as a golden sovereign!

It is some considerable time since the Rules of Golf Committee amended the rule about the lost ball. It would be as well if our Committee adopted this amendment without further delay. I have already come across one player at Fanling who was anxious to make use of this new rule, and it was with some difficulty that I was eventually able to persuade him that he could not do so.

COMPANY MEETING.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

INCREASING OVERHEAD CHARGES.

IMPROVED RATES OF PAY, AND A PENSION FUND.

The annual meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Ltd., was held at the offices of the Company in Hongkong yesterday morning. The Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr (Chairman of the Company) presided and there were present: Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Mr. G. M. Dodwell, Mr. W. E. Clarke (directors), Mr. John Arnold (secretary), Messrs. Chaw Tsun Nin, Chaw Sui Ki, J. J. Lossius, A. Crapnell, A. W. Smith, Li Yuk Tong, N. V. A. Croucher, M. S. Northcote, and A. S. Ellis.

The SECRETARY read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,—The report and statement of accounts have been in your hands some days, and with your permission, I will, as customary, take them as read. The year that has passed has been a difficult one generally for the business community. The transit from War to Peace has not been easy, and as one of our leading statesmen has said, "We have overcome the dangers of War; we have still to overcome the dangers of Peace." Notwithstanding, however, the difficulties of the general situation and continued political unrest in the neighbouring provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi and the consequent trade depression, if you will turn to the balance sheet in your hands, you will, I think, agree with me that the progress we show and the results we have achieved are not unsatisfactory. The nett profit on working for the year under review amounts to $300,569.17 as against $278,883.70 last year, and including the interest on investments, and the proposed transfer from investment fluctuation account, there is an amount of $373,145.92 available for distribution. The dividend your directors have thought right to declare is the same as for 1919 and they recommend an increase in the bonus to shareholders, but the difference in the sums which have been allocated to contingencies and to the carry forward is very considerable.

You will, I am sure, appreciate the policy of caution which has influenced us in making these appropriations and which is justified not only by the experience of the past, but by the anxiety which must always be present with us owing to the unsettled state of this part of the world, ever increasing competition and higher overhead charges.

Investments stand at $1,170,932.85 compared with $1,065,858.36 in last year's balance sheet. This increase is partly due to our usual policy of adjusting the values of our investment stocks to market quotations current on the last day of each year. With the continued decline in the sterling value of the Mexican dollar, the values of most local stocks have been affected and the appreciation for the year amounts to $120,560.66. In consultation with your auditors we are of the opinion that a credit balance of $109,282.97 is ample cover for any future depreciation, and we recommend the transfer of $50,000 to profit and loss account.

Referring again to the balance sheet you will notice that your directors recommend allocating the the sum of $62,847.79 representing £10,000 (at exchange of 3/2.3-16) to floating staff pension fund. In view of the changed conditions of employment on the China Coast your directors, after careful consideration regarding the Company's earning power vis a vis increasing competition and the ever-increasing overhead charges, recently deemed it advisable to revise the conditions of service and scale of pay to the European floating staff and to pay the same rate of wages and to grant emolument similar to the leading British Consting Companies, the China Navigation Co., Ltd. and the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. As you may be aware, the Companies referred to have recently introduced a pension fund for their floating staffs. Your directors, subect to your approval and sanction, propose inaugurating a pension fund for the European members of the Company's floating staff on similar lines to the Coast Companies and abolishing the officers' provident fund, established with your sanction in 1913. The creation of this fund, the revised conditions of service and improved rates of wages are, your directors consider, desirable steps to take, ensuring the engagement of a reliable type of officer and giving satisfaction to the older and tried servants of the Company. It is our opinion that annual allocations, when possible, should be made to this new fund until it stands at £30,000 and we trust you will approve of the amount recommended to be set aside to establish same. I desire to mention that during the past year appreciable increases have been made in the wages of the Chinese members of the floating staff.

It is my duty to point out that competition, not only of native-owned steamers but also of the Railway has been keener than ever, and the favourable result placed before you has only been attained by the strictest economy in all departments. You all know how the cost of everything has increased but, even so, the increase in shipping working costs and overhead charges have been staggering. As compared with pre-war costs, running charges for wages, stores and coal have been increased by no less than 250 per cent., repairs and overhauls by 300 per cent, and other charges in many cases by as much as 400 per cent.

At the last annual meeting of shareholders, my predecessor dwelt on the satisfactory results of the system of farming out our native Chinese passenger and freight space on all our steamers, the tenders being advertised in the public Press and adjustable from time to time with results either for or against the Company. Your directors have now given this system an exhaustive trial of over two years and the results have proved that this method of operating our vessels, eliminating the so-called compradore system, is the only one to ensure the Company receiving correct and adequate returns from the Company's Chinese business. The greatly improved earnings of the past two years substantiate this contention.

The conversion of the property purchased in Canton in 1919 into a bonded godown has been delayed, owing to labour troubles at home and the late arrival of the building material. The constructional material has now arrived and the godown will be completed before the end of the present year.

The continued progress we are able to record for the year under review has been to a great extent due to the same loyal and hearty co-operation on the part of our energetic and capable Secretary, our agents and the members of the shore and floating staff generally. Your Directors recommend ~~a bonus of~~ 20 per cent. in the salaries for the year to the office staff, and feel that this course will have your hearty approval.

I do not think of anything else calling for special comment. I beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts as presented and, after they have been seconded, shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any question in connection therewith which shareholders may desire to ask.

Mr. CHAU SUI KI, who seconded the motion, said:—In rising to second the adoption of the report and accounts, I think I am expressing the satisfaction of all shareholders at the very excellent report which is now before us. We have listened with no inconsiderable interest to the Chairman's concise resume of the Company's affairs. We endorse the Directors' recommendation to create a pension fund for the European members of our floating staff, and I feel sure the shareholders will approve of their proposal to inaugurate this new fund. It is satisfactory to note that the system of farming out the Company's Chinese freight and passenger business continues to show such excellent recents. It is gratifying to learn that new contracts on favourable terms for the current year have been secured. The figures placed before us are the best for the past twenty years and are, no doubt, the result of careful and able management, and I am confident that I am voicing the congratulations of all shareholders to the Directors, Secretary and staff, afloat and ashore, upon the great success which has attended their labours.—(Applause.)

The confirmation of the appointment of the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak was approved, on the proposition of Mr. A. E. CRAPNELL, seconded by Mr. A. W. SMITH.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak and Capt. W. E. Clarke were then elected as directors on the motion of Mr. N. V. A. CROUCHER, seconded by Mr. LOSSIUS.

Mr. CHAU TSUN NIN proposed, and Mr. LI YUK TONG seconded, the re-election of Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Bernard Brown as auditors at a remuneration of $600 each.

The proposition was approved.

This terminated the business.

COMPANY REPORT.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

The report of this Company states:—

The general managers have now the pleasure to submit their annual report and statement of the Company's accounts made up to December 31st, 1920.

The net profits for the year ended December 31st, 1920, after allowing for Consulting Committee and Auditors' fees, and including $9,989 brought forward from last account amount to $76,217.96.

The general managers recommend the payment of a dividend of $1.25 per share, which will absorb $34,653.75, write off $14,304.94 from the value of the waterboats, $1,400 from the steam launch *Diana*, $500 from the value of pipes and staging, transfer to special repairs fund $9,043.82 and to insurance fund $10,400 and carry forward a balance of $5,915.45 to the new account.

Consulting Committee:—Since the last meeting Mr. S. H. Dodwell has left the Colony and his place as Chairman has been taken by Mr. G. M. Dodwell. Messrs. J. W. C. Bonnar and W. Adamson have resigned and Messrs. A. O. Lang and R. G. Shewan have joined the Committee.

Auditor.—The accounts under review have been audited by Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A.

FOUR WEEK-END FIRES.

No fewer than four fires occurred during the week-end. The first in a house in Kowloon City, on Saturday night, originated in the chimney and soon spread to some straw in a cock-loft. The police and the Fire Brigade made strenuous efforts to prevent the fire from spreading. The extent of damage done is not yet known. The premises are not insured.

At 7.15 p.m., on Sunday, the Fire Brigade received a call to Cochrane Street where they found the chimney of a house ablaze. A couple of hoses soon checked the flames. Only slight damage was done. Another chimney fire broke out in a house near the Western Market at 2.30 a.m. The brigade was again successful in extinguishing the flames before they had time to spread.

Burning joss paper ignited the doorway of a house in Shanghai Street, Yaumati, on Sunday morning. The whole wooden framework was burned to cinders, but the brigade prevented the flames from spreading.

CRUELTY TO A SLAVE-GIRL.

MISTRESS GETS THREE WEEKS' HARD LABOUR.

A Chinese woman, of about sixty, was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour, without the option of a fine, by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Magistracy, yesterday, on a charge of persistent cruelty towards age, who was bought by the defendant for a sum of $55.

The evidence given by the Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital to which the girl was taken by Sub-Inspector James Lanighan on Friday, revealed that she was literally covered with bruises. She was suffering from slight abrasions on the right ear, and bruises behind the ear, which were probably caused by a blunt and rough instrument, such as a piece of firewood. There were also three recent bruises on her right cheek, and one on the left. Six circular sores, not completely healed, which showed on the back of the left shoulder, four on the left elbow, and seven on the right elbow might a Chinese servant girl, thirteen years of have been due to burns which, in the witness's view, formed the recognised Chinese treatment for some forms of sickness. Similar sores showed in profusion on the abdomen, while recent bruises on the back of the wrists and hands were still in the painful stage. A large numbers of other bruises on both legs and thighs were recent, and others were of earlier occurrence. Marks, as if made by a rattan cane, also showed in front of the left thigh above the knee. The body appeared to have been well-nourished.

Remarking on the mental condition of the girl, which indicated a tendency to absent-mindedness, Dr. Moore said that the fact that she did not appear to be too bright should have supplied no reason why the defendant, her mistress, should have given her the frequent beatings that her injuries indicated.

The girl, Wong Sau Thoi, in the witness-box, told her story to the Magistrate. On her parents' death, she was sold to her present mistress for $55.

The Magistrate: Were you happy with her?—No, I don't want to go back to her.

The Magistrate: You will not have to go back.

Resuming, the girl said that she was continually beaten with a big stick and also with a pair of fire-tongs. She was suffering from stomach trouble, and because she was unable to wash the family linen when in this sick condition, she was beaten, and sometimes kicked. She admitted that the defendant had secured a Chinese medicine man to attend to her, and denied the accusation by the defendant that she stole money from the latter.

The defendant, on being asked to make a statement, proceeded to heap recriminations on the girl's head. "You were sick," she said, addressing the girl, "when I bought you. I had to go to much expense in engaging the five doctors that had been called to see to your condition, and now you would be so ungrateful as to go to the Police and give evidence against me."

The Magistrate: The medical evidence showed that you were always beating her. What right have you got to beat her like that?

The defendant: I did not beat her much.

"You did not beat her much! Look at her face," the Magistrate retorted.

The defendant: She was sick.

The Magistrate: That was no reason for beating her. You should not have beaten her.

A sentence of three weeks' hard labour was then imposed.

MANAGER LOCKED UP IN OFFICE.

ALLEGED SERIOUS THREATS.

Six Chinese were charged before Mr. Lindsell at the Magistracy, yesterday, with having obtained $400 from the manager of an import and export firm in Connaught Road by menaces.

Inspector Moore stated that three nights ago 3 employees of the firm, including the accused, locked the complainant in his office and under threats of death forced him to open the safe and give them $400. They also demanded a further $7,000 which the manager promised to pay if released.

Mr. Leo d'Almada, who appeared on behalf of the prosecution to ask for a remand, stated that the accused claimed the money as bonuses, but no agreement had been made when they were engaged.

The Magistrate fixed bailed at $100 for each man.

WEDDING.

SMITH—PETERSEN.

The marriage took place, at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday, of Mr. John Sanderson Smith, of Edinburgh, Scotland, and of Miss Amie Bertha Peterson, daughter of Mrs. M. Uschman, and the late Mr. C. W. F. Peterson. The Rev. G. R. Lindsay officiated.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. H. Silling, manager of the Oriental Tobacco Factory, was attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Sheila Robinson and Miss Nannie Ypey. Mr. S. D. Begg was "best man."

The bride wore a white charmeuse dress trimmed with beads and lace, with train embroidered with pearl beads. She carried a beautiful bonquet of white chrysanthemums. The bridesmaids wore pretty dresses of nile green georgette crepe accordeon pleated dresses, trimmed with satin ribbon. They also wore pretty garlands of flowers round their heads and carried dainty baskets of roses.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the Station Hotel. The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay.

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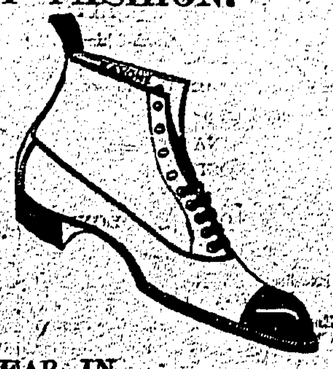
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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
"HANGSANG"
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 12th Feb., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 6th, 1921. [406

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "WUGU MARU."

From CHIN WANG TAO.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th Feb., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd Feb., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 12th Feb., at 10 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION,
DODWELL & Co,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 7th, 1921 407

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after 14TH FEBRUARY, 1921, the HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK will be Open on—

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A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
Hongkong, February 2nd. 60

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NOTICE.

THE GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. OF CHINA beg to announce that they are now prepared to undertake ELECTRIC WIRING CONTRACTS. The work will be carried out under the supervision of a competent European, and all Wire used will be made by the PIRELLI-GENERAL CABLE WORKS, SOUTHAMPTON. [397

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NOTICE.

THE SHARE-HOLDERS of the BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE are herewith informed that an INTERIM DIVIDEND of Frs. 20 per Share will be paid from FEBRUARY 1ST, 1921, on presentation of their certificates at the Head Office, in Paris, and at any of its Agencies.
Hongkong, January 20th, 1921. [376

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY will be held in the CITY HALL on FRIDAY, FEB. 11TH, at NOON.
K. E. A. CAVALIER,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, February 4th, 1921. [398

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of MESSRS. DODWELL & COMPANY, LIMITED, on THURSDAY, the 17TH FEBRUARY, 1921, at 11 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1920.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to 17th February, 1921, both dates inclusive.
DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 3rd, 1921. [375

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company, will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 19TH FEBRUARY, 1921, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1920.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED fr m the 11th February to the 21st February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 31st, 1921. [343

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company, will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 22ND day of FEBRUARY, 1921, at 11.0) o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1920 and declaring a Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 12th February, 1921, until TUESDAY, the 22nd February, 1921, both days inclusive.
By order of the
BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
Hongkong, February 3rd, 1921. 376

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, 26TH day of FEBRUARY, 1921, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATUBDAY, 12th February to SATURDAY, 26th February, 1921 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 7th, 1921. [400

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

THE Directors of the above Company have declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND on Deferred Shares for the year 1920, at the rate of 6/- per Share.

Dividends for Shareholders on the Colonial Register are free of Income Tax and will be paid at the rate of 2/10 per dollar.

Dividend Warrants will be obtainable on and after SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, 1921, at the Company's Office.

TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from February 19th, to February 26th, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 26th, 1921. [315

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M. J. BREEN,
Hon. Secretary,
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Hongkong, December 15th, 1920. [129

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MABEE.—At Shanghai, on January 27th, to Mr. and Mrs. FRED. C. MABEE, a son.

DEATH.

WEI YUK.—On February 7th, Lady WEI YUK. [401

HONGKONG OFFICE: 10A, DES VŒUX RD. C
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 8TH, 1921.

CHINA NEW YEAR.

As each China New Year comes round and we see the high importance the Chinese people attach to the festival, it is amusing to cast our thoughts back to just over nine years ago when the Dynasty was overthrown and a Republican Government came into power to revolutionise the national life of China in all its aspects. To mark the complete separation from the past, the Republican Government decreed the adoption of the Gregorian calendar, so as to bring China's method of calculating time into agreement with that which prevails throughout the wide world with but few exceptions, such as among the Russians, the Jews and the Mohammedans. In official circles in China the decree is observed, notably in the capital and in Canton, the birthplace of the revolution and now the seat of the so-called Government which exists in opposition to the Government at Peking. To a limited extent the First of January is also observed by large business establishments in those two cities and, indeed, in all the Treaty ports of China; but it has meant for the officials and the few others who pay any regard to the Republican decree, merely another holiday for those who can afford to take it. In the social and the general business life of the nation the lunar year continues to be observed as religiously as ever.

As everybody knows, even the Chinese Government is unable to disregard the China New Year by lunar reckoning in connection with the time-honoured practice of financial settlements, which is so inextricably bound up with the general arrangements for celebrating the great national festival. Since the inauguration of the Republican regime indeed we have heard more of the financial embarrassments of the Government as China New Year approached than we did under the Monarchy. Every year we are told that unless the empty Treasury vaults can be replenished by loans from somebody or other for the China New Year settlement, the Government will utterly collapse and the result will be anarchy in China! It is but one of the many evidences of the strength of the attachment in China to ancient customs associated with lunar year reckonings.

According to recent reports from Peking there were obligations totalling $50,000,000 to be met before China New Year, and only about four millions from the Customs were in sight to meet these liabilities. The Ministry of Finance had been seeking loans from various sources, but the only people ready to lend were native bankers who demanded interest at something like twenty per cent. We suppose the Government has had to accept the best offers it could get, as the latest reports are to the effect that the Government saw its way to "tide over its difficulties without financial chaos." In the same way China New Year has added to the difficulties of the Government at Canton and doubtless prompted the ill-advised attempt to control the Customs Service in the province. Something has been done to relieve the situation, we suppose, by the raising of the injunction which had restrained Dr. WU TING FANG from withdrawing public funds deposited in foreign banks in his name; but we learn that the Government has had to resort to something like highway robbery to get money from the merchant firms for the purpose of meeting the obligations which are recognised as due to be paid before the dawn of a new year by the lunar reckoning. It appears that the Seventy-two Guilds some time ago promised to raise a million dollars for the Government, but owing to "poor business" only about three lakhs of this amount were forthcoming. The Government insisted on the full amount and the story is that bailiffs were sent to the various firms to demand it and ordered to remain until it was paid. In this way are Governments in China, and the public generally, reminded that China New Year by the lunar reckoning is of far more importance in the life of the nation than the beginning of a year by the Western calendar.

The year that has just closed is not one that Chinese business men can look back upon with much pleasure or satisfaction. Business in many of its most important branches has been stagnant, and the sudden heavy fall in exchange has served to make matters worse. In these circumstances many business failures were expected with the approach of China New Year. Happily these fears do not appear to have materialised to any great extent in South China. We have heard of none in Hongkong of any serious importance, and we trust the Settlement has been generally negotiated in China with the same success. "Hope springs eternal in the human breast," as the poet says; and the dawn of a new year is always an occasion when every human breast throbs with hopes of happy days. In business circles the hope is for a speedy revival of trade, a hope in which Governments must fully share. In the case of the Government at Canton we shall be expressing a wide-spread sentiment when we say that this hope will stand a better chance of fulfilment if the powers-that-be at Canton will couple with it a resolution to take without delay the necessary measures to suppress the piracy which is so rife at the present time in the Canton Delta, to which a good deal of the stagnation of trade in this part of China is attributable.

Owing to the holiday to-day there will be no issue of the *Hongkong Daily Press* to-morrow.

The first steamer to reach Tientsin this year was the Kailan Mining Administration's steamer *Kwanping*, which reached the Bund at 10 a.m., on January 28th.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending January 22nd, amounted to 95,867 tons, and the sales during the period to 75,939 tons.

The Grand Hotel at Yokohama has just paid a dividend of 5 yen per share for the half year ended December 31st absorbing yen 25,000; placed yen 25,000 to reserve, and carried forward yen 10,964.

Mr. H. C. Sandford has been appointed Acting Agent of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank at Hankow.

Vincent W. Dawson, third officer of the B.I. s.s. *Tabada*, has been committed for trial at the Supreme Court, Shanghai, on a charge of shooting at a Chinese policeman with a revolver with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

Mr. E. E. Deacon, who has been submanager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank at Yokohama, has been appointed manager of the Kobe branch of the Bank, succeeding Mr. J. McArthur, who is being transferred to Hongkong.

A Chinese on his way from America, who made the usual plea of ignorance, was fined $100 by Mr. Lindsell, yesterday, for having in his possession a Winchester rifle, a revolver, and 600 rounds of ammunition. The arms and ammunition were confiscated.

The collection for Queen Mary's Home for Training Disabled men, taken at the War Memorial service at St. John's Cathedral on Sunday, January 30th, amounted to $641.15. On Church Missionary Sunday the collection (for the C.M.S.) was $466.6.

News has reached Japan of the death in London, after an operation, of Mr. H. E. Green, formerly manager of the Kobe branch of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co. Since 1917 he has been connected with the firm of Childs & Joseph, of New York. He married Miss Blanche Abell, of Kobe.

The decline in trade last year, says the *Shanghai Gazette*, has taxed the local godowns to their full capacity and the storage bill for 1920 was a very heavy one. A big new warehouse has now been planned and the capital will be furnished by a group of British and American firms. It is stated that orders have been sent to Europe for the internal steel structure of the building. The exterior will be built with iron sheets.

The following interesting item is extracted from a news letter issued by a Chinese news agency. "Latest advices from Hsianfu indicate that, owing to the fine receipts from the cultivation of opium crops, General Shu-fan and General Liu Chen-hua, Civil Governor, are in serious dispute. The two Anfu leaders will probably come to blows unless they can divide the opium receipts equally between them."

ORGAN RECITAL.

After a long interval Mr. Denman Fuller will resume his organ recitals and the first of a new series will be given in St. John's Cathedral on Monday next, at 5.30 p.m. The cessation has been due to the fact that for fourth months the Cathedral Organ has been undergoing very extensive repairs and improvements. During that period pneumatic action has been put in throughout the instrument, with the exception of a small part of the Great, and this has made possible the introduction of six extra couplers which increase the possibilities of the organ beyond a degree which can be understood by those not versed in such matters. The improvement in the touch also renders it possible to now play pieces before impossible and the range of effects now available is in marked contrast to the limitations which were in such a large instrument so marked. The Tuba which will be used at this recital for the first time completes a tonal scheme which it has taken fourteen years of unremitting labour to carry out and the results of this addition and of the pneumatic action will entirely eclipse any of the great number of improvements made during the long period Mr. Denman Fuller has been organist of this Cathedral.

MIROVA-PODOLSKY RECITAL.

Of the pieces submitted by Leo Podolsky last evening at the Theatre Royal, two by Chopin, the "Berceuse" and "Polonaise Fis-moll," stood out very prominently and stamp Podolsky as an understanding interpreter of the Master. Both are contrasts, one needing careful phrasing to bring out the beauties of the picture it is intended to represent, the other, practically an octave study, demanding superb technique. Podolsky was eminently successful and makes piano playing seem to be easy of execution. Opening with an "Aria" by Grieg, selections from Rachmaninoff, Cyril Scott, and Debussy, were given and listened to with rapt attention.

It is difficult to do adequate justice to the art of Vera Mirova as a danseuse. In the sprightly "Mazourka" she gave a splendid rendition of the moods of a young bride in the village dance. In direct contrast was Rubinstein's "Romance" and Gillet's "L'Africanne" and Franchetti's "Egyptian Dance." It needed no effort of the imagination to comprehend what was being portrayed and the pleasure which her efforts gave called forth warm and unstinted applause. The number of the audience was not in keeping with the standing of these two exponents of classical music and dancing.

CABLES.

EARLIER CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

"MARKING TIME."

TONE OF SOVIET OBSERVATIONS ON TRADE AGREEMENT.

LONDON, February 7th.

"Marking time" epitomises M. Chicherin's Note to Lord Curzon acknowledging receipt of the draft trade agreement. According to a Moscow telegram, the Soviet pleasurably notes that as regards the general conditions no divergencies exist which are incapable of settlement between M. Krassin and the British Government Departments concerned. But the preamble is ambiguously worded, necessitating "exhaustive discussion." Then follows a catalogue of denials of Britain's accusations in regard to Soviet activity in Persia, Asia Minor, Bokhara and Afghanistan. The Note counter-accuses the Entente of irreconcilable hostility in Persia, the Caucasus, Asia Minor, the Black Sea and Poland.

GERMAN EVASION.

SEARCH FOR PRETEXTS.

LONDON, February 6th.

The Germans are busy finding pretexts for not complying with the Allies' demands. According to the *Lokal Anzeiger*, reservations will be made with regards to disarmament in East Prussia, which General von Seeckt, who was present at the conference of Premiers in Berlin, has declared is vital for Germany. He asserted that the Polish demobilsation is a pretence and the Poles could in a single day's good march be in a position to bombard Berlin.

The Bolshevist bogey is also being resuscitated. According to the *Freiheit*, the Communists in Bavaria are urging a revolution and the formation of a Soviet Government as well as an alliance with Russia against the Entente.

RUBBER PAVING IN LONDON.

PROPOSED FOR HOSPITAL DISTRICTS.

LONDON, February 6th.

It is stated that the recent experiment in paving a street in the Borough with rubber sheets having proved satisfactory, it has been suggested that the Westminster City Council adopt a similar scheme for deadening sounds in the neighbourhood of Charing Cross Hospital. The idea is that the scheme, if successful, might be extended to all streets in the proximity of hospitals. It is stated that although the initial cost is roughly double, rubber-blocks would long outlast wooden blocks.

BONDS OF THE ENTENTE.

FRENCH PREMIER'S ADDRESS.

PARIS, February 7th.

A Havas message says:—

M. Briand read to the Chamber and the Senate a communication from the Government about the Paris Conference. M. Briand declared that the essential result of the conference was the tightening of the bonds of the Entente, consolidating the peace front, which will prevail over all resistance and oblige those responsible for the ruins of France to acquit their debts. Parliament applauded unanimously.

GREEK CABINET.

NEW PREMIER'S STATEMENT REGARDING M. VENIZELOS.

ATHENS, February 6th.

The Royalist M. Callogeropoulos is forming a Cabinet including the late Cabinet Ministers, and, also, M. Theotokis, ex-Minister at Berlin.

M. Callogeropoulos asserted that he is friendly to the Entente, and declared that the presence of M. Venizelos at the London Conference in any capacity was inadmissible.

INTER-ALLIED DEBTS.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S STATEMENT CREATES SENSATION.

NEW YORK, February 7th.

Mr. Chamberlain's statement regarding the cancellation of inter-Allied debts, has created a sensation at Washington and has evoked criticism of the Government for concealing information on the subject. State Treasury officials decline to comment, but intimate that a proposal may have been made unofficially. If so, it was not regarded seriously.

MARSHAL PILUDSKI IN PARIS

PARIS, February 7th.

A Havas message says:—

Marshal Piludsky, head of the Polish State, arrived this morning at Paris and was received at the station by M. Briand, Marshal Foch and General Weygand. Marshal Piludski visited M. Millerand and in the afternoon deposited a wreath on the grave of the Unknown Soldier.

HAPSBURG RESTORATION MOVEMENT.

KING KARL OF HUNGARY?

GENEVA, February 6th.

Hapsburg partisans held a conclave at St. Moritz and decided that the ex-Emperor Karl must reach Budapest by Easter, as Hungary wants a King.

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PRESENTATION TO MR. McIVER.

RETIREMENT OF CHIEF BOARDING OFFICER.

Mr. W. McIver, chief boarding officer, was the recipient, at the Harbour Office, yesterday, of a handsome silver bowl from the Harbour-master and staff on the occasion of his impending departure from the Colony on retirement. At the same time the opportunity was taken to present Mrs. McIver with a silver bag and, that they might not feel out in the cold, the two little Misses McIver each had a handsome box of chocolates. The inner courtyard of the Harbour Office was decorated with flags in honour of the occasion, and with these as a back-ground a photograph of the party was taken as a souvenir.

Commander Beckwith, in making the presentations, said:—Mr. McIver,—We have asked you to come here this morning a little time before you actually leave the Colony to present you with a souvenir of affection and respect from the Harbour Department. You have been 26 years in this department and have served with me personally for some fourteen years; I could have wished that you might have stayed a few years longer and seen my time through, but your health and that of your family come first. By your departure the Government loses a trusted official and one hard to replace, and the public a courteous and obliging servant. Through the war, Hongkong was a port of very considerable importance to the Empire, when shipping was the life blood of the nation, and some 29,000 ships, representing fifty millions of ocean-going tonnage, were handled here by a depleted staff. From 1916 you were my assistant and were of great help to me generally. You can take it from me that you did your duty well and truly. I am handing you this cup filled to the brim with good wishes from us all for your future health, wealth, prosperity and long life—to draw a well-earned pension and sometimes think kindly of your many old friends in Hongkong.

Commander Beckwith then asked Mrs. McIver to accept, on behalf of the Harbour Department, a silver bag as a momento of their regard. He and the staff sincerely hoped that she and her family had many long years of health and happiness in store for them all.

Mr. McIver, in acknowledging the gift, said that on an occasion of this kind, one felt handicapped in not being able to express one's feelings adequately in words to those who had always shown every kindness. During his period of service in the Colony, he had looked forward to the day of retirement, but now, as the time approached, his feelings were those of mingled joy and regret. He hoped to enjoy his retirement but he was sure he would often think of the days he spent in Hongkong and wish he could return and meet the old friends in the department and in the Colony generally. He thanked Commander Beckwith very much indeed for the kind remarks made about him and his services to the department; if those services had been appreciated by his chief and all others concerned, he was satisfied. During the war, as Commander Beckwith had remarked, the staff had to work short-handed, and more work was expected of them, in order to facilitate the shipping frequenting the port. The existing staff was able to keep the office open without a break for three years, holidays and Sunday included, and on the whole he thought their efforts were appreciated by the public. He had to thank Commander Beckwith personally for all his help. He would be leaving the service worse off if it had not been for the Harbour-master, who was always easy to approach and willing to listen to legitimate grievances and put them forward for redress. As Commander Beckwith was about to go on leave he took the opportunity of wishing him a good holiday, and a return with redoubled vigour. He thanked them all for the handsome presents made to himself and his family and assured them that the gifts would always be treasured as coming from the department and as souvenirs of the Colony where the best part of their lives had been spent.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NAVAL DEFENCE IN THE PACIFIC.

SYDNEY, February 6th.

The *Sunday Times* says the Australian warship *Brisbane* is about to convey Admiral Grant, of the Naval Administration Board, to Singapore to participate in an important conference of senior officers of the East Indian, China, Canadian, New Zealand and South African Squadrons on the question of naval defence in the Pacific.

PALESTINE IMMIGRATION.

10,000 IN A YEAR.

JERUSALEM, February 7th.

Last year's pioneer Jewish immigrants numbered 10,000, including 3,000 repatriated, 3,000 from the Ukraine, the Crimea and Armenia, and 3,500 from Lithuania, Poland, Galicia and Germany.

FALL OF AN ARCHDEACON.

FOUND GUILTY OF ADULTERY.

LONDON, February 6th.

The Consistory Court has found Archdeacon Wakeford, of Stow, Precentor and Canon of Lincoln Cathedral, guilty of adultery.

MR. H. G. WELLS ON RUSSIA.

SAVING THE INTELLECTUAL LIFE OF THE COUNTRY.

TASK FOR MAXIM GORKY.

In the second of the series of articles written by H. G. Wells after his return from Soviet Russia he writes of culture in Russia as follows:—

Among the things I wanted most to see amid this tremendous spectacle of social collapse in Russia was the work of my old friend, Maxim Gorky. I had heard of this from members of the returning labour delegation, and what they told me had whetted my desire for a closer view of what was going on. Bertrand Russell's account of Gorky's health had also made me anxious on his own account, but I am happy to say that on that score my news is good. Gorky seems as strong and well to me now as he was when I knew him first in 1906, and as a personality he has grown immensely.

Russell wrote that Gorky was dying and that perhaps culture in Russia was dying, too. Russell, I think, was betrayed by an artistic contemplation of dark and purple. He found Gorky in bed and afflicted by a fit of coughing and his imagination made the most of it.

Gorky's position in Russia is a quite extraordinary and personal one. He is no more of a Communist than I am, and I have heard him argue with the utmost freedom in his flat against the extremist positions with such men as Bokaiev, recently head of the extraordinary commission in Petersburg, and Zalutsky, one of the rising leaders of the Communist party.

It was a very reassuring display of free speech, for Gorky did not so much argue as denounce, and this in front of two deeply interested English inquirers.

GORKY RESPECTED.

But he has gained the confidence and respect of most of the Bolshevist leaders, and he has become by a kind of necessity the semi-official salvage man under the new regime.

He is possessed by a passionate sense of the value of Western science and culture and by the necessity of preserving the intellectual continuity of Russian life—through these dark years of famine and war and social stress—with the general intellectual life of the world. He has found a steady supporter in Lenin.

His work illuminates the situation to an extraordinary degree, because it collects together a number of significant factors and makes the essentially catastrophic nature of the Russian situation plain.

The Russian smash at the end of 1917 was certainly the most complete that has ever happened to any modern social organization. After the failure of the Kerensky Government to make peace and of the British naval authorities to relieve the military situation in the Baltic, the shattered Russian armies, weapons in hand, broke up and rolled back upon Russia a flood of peasant soldiers, making for home, without hope, without supplies, without discipline. That time of debacle was a time of complete social disorder. It was social dissolution.

In many parts of Russia there was peasant revolt. There was chateau burning, often accompanied by quite horrible atrocities. It was an explosion of the very worst side of human nature's despair; and for most of the abominations committed the Bolsheviki are about as responsible as the Government of Australia.

People would be held up and robbed even to their shirts in open daylight in the streets of Petrograd and Moscow, no one interfering. Murdered bodies lay a whole day, with passengers on the footwalk going to and fro. Armed men, often professing to be Red Guards, entered houses and looted and murdered.

STRUGGLE OF 1918.

The early months of 1918 saw a violent struggle of the new Bolshevist Government, not only with counter-revolution, but with robbers and brigands of every description. It was not until the summer of 1918 and after thousands of looters and plunderers had been shot that life began to be ordinarily safe again in the streets of Russia's great towns.

For a time Russia was not a civilization, but a torrent of lawless violence, with a weak Central Government of inexperienced rulers fighting not only against unintelligent foreign intervention but against the most complete internal disorder. It is from such chaotic conditions that Russia still struggles to emerge.

Art, literature, science—all the refinements and elaboration of life, all that we mean by civilization—were involved in this torrential catastrophe. For a time the most stable thing in Russian culture was the theatre. There stood the theatres and nobody wanted to loot them or destroy them. The artists were accustomed to meet and work in them and went on meeting and working. The tradition of official subsidies held good. So, quite amazing, Russian dramatic and operatic life kept on through the most extreme storms of violence, and keeps on to this day.

FORTY SHOWS OPERATING.

In Petrograd we found that there were more than forty shows going on every night. In Moscow we found very much the same state of affairs. We heard Chaliapine, the greatest of actors and singers, in "The Barber of Seville" and in "Chovanchina." The admirable orchestra was variously attired, but the conductor still held out valiantly in swallowtails and white tie. We saw a performance of "Sadko." We saw Monarchof in "Tzarevitch Alexei" and as Jago in "Othello," with Mme. Gorky—Mme. Andreievna as Desdemona.

When one faced the stage it was as if nothing had changed in Russia, but when the curtain fell and one turned to the audience, one realized the revolution. There were now no brilliant uniforms, no evening dress in the boxes and stalls. The audience was a uniform mass of people the same sort of people everywhere, attentive, good humoured, well behaved, and shabby.

As in London stage society, one's place in the house is determined by ballot, and for the most part there is no paying to go to the theatres.

For one performance tickets go, let us say, to professional unions; for another, to Red Army men and their families; for another, to school children, and so on. Some selling of tickets goes on, but it is not in the present scheme of things. I had heard Chaliapine in London, but I had not met him personally there.

We made his acquaintance this time. In Petrograd we dined with him and saw something of his very jolly household. There are two step-children, almost grown up, and two little daughters, who speak nice, stiff, correct English, and the youngest of whom dances delightfully.

ARTIST DEFIANT.

Chaliapine is certainly one of the most wonderful things in Russia at the present time. He is the artist defiant and magnificent. Off stage he has much the same vitality and the abounding humour that made so delightful our experience.

He refuses absolutely to sing except for pay—200,000 roubles a performance, they say, which is nearly £15—and when the markets get too tight he insists upon payment in flour or eggs or the like. What he demands he gets, for Chaliapine on strike would leave too dismal a hole altogether in the theatrical world of Petrograd. So it is that he maintains what is perhaps the last fairly comfortable home in Russia, and Mme. Chaliapine we found so unbroken by the revolution that she asked us what people were wearing in London. The last fashion papers she had seen, thanks to the blockade, dated from somewhere early in 1918.

But the position of the theatre among the arts is peculiar. For the rest of the arts, for literature generally and for scientific work, the catastrophe of 1917-18 was overwhelming. There remained no one to buy books or pictures, and the scientific worker found himself with a salary of rubles that dwindled rapidly to less than a five-hundredth part of their original value.

The new crude social organisation, fighting, robbery, murder and the wildest disorder, had no place for them. It had forgotten them. For scientific men at first the Soviet Government had as little regard as the first French revolution, which had "no need for chemists."

These classes of workers, vitally important to every civilized system, were reduced, therefore, to a state of the utmost privation and misery. It was to their assistance and salvation that Gorky's first efforts were directed.

SALVAGE ESTABLISHMENTS.

Thanks very largely to him and to the more creative intelligence in the Bolshevist Government, there now has been organised a group of salvage establishments, of which the best and most fully developed is the House of Science in Petrograd in the ancient palace of the Archduchess Marie Pavlova.

Here we saw the headquarters of the social rationing system which provides as well as it can for the needs of 4,000 scientific workers and their dependents, in all perhaps for 10,000 people. At this centre they not only draw their food rations, but they can get baths and a barber, tailoring, cobbling and like conveniences. There is even a small stock of boots and clothing. There are bedrooms and a sort of hospital accommodation for cases of weakness and ill health.

It was to me one of the strangest of my Russian experiences to go to this institution and to meet there as careworn and unprosperous looking figures some of the great survivors of the Russian scientific world. Here were such men as Oldenburg, the Orientalist; Karpinsky, the geologist; Pavoloff, the Nobel prize man; Radloff, Bielopolsky and the like—names of world-wide celebrity. They asked me a multitude of questions about recent scientific progress in the world outside of Russia, and made me ashamed of my frightful ignorance of such matters.

EFFECTS OF BLOCKADE.

If I had known that this would happen I would have taken some sort of a report with me. Our blockade has cut them off from all scientific literature outside of Russia. They are without new instruments. They are short of paper. The work they do has to go to unwarmed laboratories. It is amazing that they do any work at all, yet they are getting work done.

Paviott is carrying on research of astonishing scope and ingenuity on the mentality of animals. Manuchin claims to have worked out an effectual cure for tuberculosis, even in advanced cases, and so on. I have brought back abstracts of Manuchin's work for translation and publication here, and they are now being put into English.

The scientific spirit is a wonderful spirit. If Petrograd starves this winter the House of Science, unless meantime some special effort is made on its behalf, will starve, too. But these scientific men said very little to me about the possibility of sending them supplies.

The House of Literature and Art talked a little of want and miseries, but not the scientific men. What they were keen about was the possibility of getting scientific publications.

KNOWLEDGE APPRECIATED.

They value knowledge more than bread. Upon that matter I hope I may be of some help to them. I got them to form a committee to make me out a list of all books and publications of which they stood in need, and I have brought this list back to the secretary of the Royal Society of London, which had already been stirring in this matter.

Funds will be needed, three or four thousand pounds perhaps—the address of the secretary of the Royal Society is Burlington House, W.—but assent of the Bolshevist Government and our own to this mental provisioning of Russia has been secured, and in a little time I hope the first parcels of books will be going through to these men who have been cut off for so long from the general mental life of the world.

If I had no other reason for satisfaction about this trip to Russia I should find quite enough in the hope and comfort our mere presence evidently gave to many of these distinguished men in the House of Science and in the House of Literature and Art.

Upon many of them there had evidently settled a kind of despair of ever seeing or hearing anything of the outer world again. They had been living for three years, very gray and long years, indeed, in a world that seemed sinking down steadily through one degree of privation after another into darkness. Possibly they had seen something of one or two of the political deputations that have visited Russia—I do not know—but manifestly they never expected to see again a free and independent individual walking with an air of having come quite easily and unofficially from London, and of its being quite possible not only to come but to go again into the lost world of the west. It was like an unexpected afternoon caller strolling into a cell in jail.

All the musical people in England know the work of Glazounov. He has conducted concerts in London and is an honorary doctor both of Oxford and Cambridge. I was very deeply touched by my meeting with him. He used to be a very big, florid man, but now he is pallid and very much fallen away, so that his clothes hang loosely on him. He came and talked of his friends, Sir Hubert Parry and Sir Charles Villiers Stanford. He told me he still composed, but that his stock of music paper was almost exhausted.

"Then there will be no more?"

HUNGRY FOR PLEASURE.

I said there would be much more and that soon. He doubted it. He spoke of London and Oxford. I could see that he was consumed by an almost intolerable longing for some great city full of life, a city with abundance, with pleasant crowds, a city that would give him still audiences in warm, brightly lighted places.

When I was there I was a sort of living token to him that such things could still be. He turned his back on the window which gave on the cold, gray Neva, deserted in the twilight, and the low lines of the fortress prison of St. Peter and St. Paul.

"In England there will be no revolution, no? I had my friends in England, many good friends in England."

I was loath to leave him, and he was loath to let me go. Seeing all these distinguished men living a sort of refugees' life among the impoverished ruins of the fallen imperialist system has made me realize how helplessly men of exceptional gifts depend on securely organized civilization.

The ordinary man can turn from this to that occupation. He can be a sailor or a worker in a factory, or a digger, or a what not. He is under the general necessity to work, but he has no internal demon which compels him to a particular thing and nothing else, which compels him to be a particular thing or to die.

But a Chaliapine must be a singer or nothing; Pavloff is Pavloff, and Glazounov. So long as they can go on doing their particular thing such men will live and flourish. Chaliapine still acts and sings magnificently in absolute defiance of every communist principle. Pavloff continues his marvelous researches in an old coat and with his study piled up with potatoes and carrots he grows in his spare time. Glazounov will compose until his paper runs out. But many of the others are evidently stricken much harder.

LEADERS ARE DYING.

The mortality among the intellectually distinguished men of Russia has been terribly high. Much, no doubt, has been due to the general hardship of life, but in many cases I believe that sheer mortification of great gifts become futile has been the determining cause.

They could no more live in Russia of 1919 than they could have lived in a Kafir kraal. Science, art and literature are hot-house plants, demanding warmth and respect and service.

It is a paradox of science that it alters whole world and is produced by the genius of men who need protection and help more than any other class of workers.

The collapse of the Russian imperial system has smashed up all shelters in which such things could exist. The crude Marxian philosophy, which divides all men into bourgeoisie and proletariat, which sees all social life as stupidly simple class war, had no knowledge of conditions necessary for collective mental life, but it is to the credit of the Bolshevist Government that it has now arisen to the danger of universal intellectual destruction in Russia and that, in spite of the blockade and the unending struggle against subsidized revolts and invasions, with which we and the French plague Russia, it is now permitting and helping these salvage organizations.

Parallel with the house of science is the house of literature and art. Writing of new books, except for some poetry, and painting of pictures have ceased in Russia, but the bulk of the writers and artists have found employment upon the grandiose scheme for the publication of a sort of Russian encyclopedia of literature of the world.

In this strange Russia of conflict, cold, famine and pitiful privations, there is actually going on now a literary task that would be inconceivable in the rich England and the rich America of to-day. In England and America the production of good literature at popular prices has practically ceased now.

Because of the price of paper the mental food of the English and American masses dwindles and deteriorates, and nobody in authority cares a rap. The Bolshevist Government is at least a shade above that level. In starving Russia hundreds of people are working upon translations, and the books they translate are being set up and printed—works which may presently give the new Russia such a knowledge of world thought as no other people will possess. I have seen some of the books.

FRAGMENTARY WORK.

Of the work going on I may write, with no certainty, because, like everything else in the ruined country, this creative work is essentially improvised and fragmentary. How this world literature is to be distributed to the Russian people I do not know. The book shops are closed, and book selling, like every other form of trading, is illegal. Probably the books will be distributed to schools and other institutions. In this matter of book distribution the Bolshevist authorities are clearly at a loss. They are at a loss upon very many such matters.

In regard to the intellectual life of the community, one discovers that Marxist communism is without plans and without ideas. Marxist communism has always been a theory of revolution, a theory not merely lacking in creative and constructive ideas, but hostile to creative and constructive ideas.

Every communist orator has been trained to condemn utopianism; that is to say, has been trained to condemn intelligent planning. Not even the British business man of the older type is quite such a believer in things righting themselves and in muddling through as these Marxists.

The Russian communist government now finds itself face to face, among a multiplicity of other constructive problems, with the problem of sustaining scientific life, of sustaining thought and discussion, of promoting artistic creation. Marx, the prophet, and his sacred book supply it with no lead at all in the matter.

NO FIXED PROGRAMME.

Bolshevism, having no schemes, must improvise, therefore, clumsily, and is reduced to these pathetic attempts to salvage the wreckage of the intellectual life of the old order, and that life is very sick and unhappy and seems likely to die on its hands.

It is not simply scientific and literary work and workers that Maxim Gorky is trying to salvage in Russia. There is a third and still more curious salvage organization associated with him. This is the expertizo commission, which has its headquarters in the former British embassy.

When a social order based on private property crashes, when private property is with some abruptness and no qualification abolished, this does not abolish and destroy things which have hitherto constituted private property. Houses and their gear remain standing, still being occupied and used by people who had them before, except when those people have fled.

When the Bolshevist authorities requisition a house, or take over a deserted palace, they find themselves faced by this problem of the gear.

Any one who knows human nature will understand that there has been a certain amount of quiet annexation of desirable things by inadvertent officials and perhaps less inadvertently by their wives, but the general spirit of Bolshevism is quite honest, and it is set very stoutly against looting and such like developments of individual enterprise.

LOOTING NEGLIGIBLE.

There has evidently been comparatively little looting, either in Petrograd or Moscow, since the days of the debacle. Looting died against the wall in Moscow in the spring of 1918. In guest houses and such like places we noted that everything was numbered and listed.

For greater security there has been a gathering together and cataloguing of everything that could claim to be a work of art by this expertizo commission, and the palace that once sheltered the British embassy is now like some congested second-hand art shop in Brompton road.

GERMAN REPARATIONS.

DETAILS OF GOODS HANDED OVER.

The Reparations Commission, in a *communiqué* issued on January 22nd, gave the following detailed figures of goods handed over by Germany to the Allies, in accordance with the Treaty of Versailles, to December 31st, 1920:—

Coal—17,818,840 tons.

Shipping (steam and sailing vessels)—2,054,729 tons.

River Navigation Material—380,370 tons.

Live-stock—360,176 head.

Seeds—6,802,388 kilos.

Locomotives—4,571.

Railway Cars—129,555.

Motor Lorries—5,000.

Permanent Railway Equipment—140,000 tons.

Agricultural Material—131,505 machines and implements.

In addition, Germany has surrendered dye-stuffs, chemical products and submarine cables.

Up to December 31st, Germany had restored to France 13,546 agricultural machines, 184,161 tons of industrial material, a number of locomotives and railway cars, and works of art and personal property. The Reparations Commission has distributed the surrendered goods among the various Allied countries, although the allotment of telegraph cables, submitted to the conference of experts at Washington, has not yet been settled.—*French Wireless.*

MR. SMILLIE AND THE DUKES

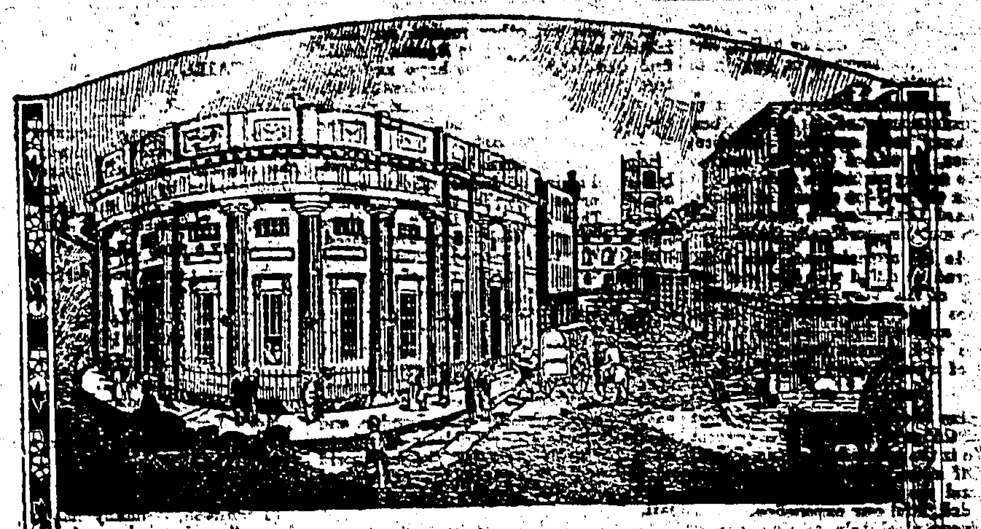
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Mr. Smillie said with regard to Nationalisation it was asserted that they had failed. They had not failed. "We have only made a beginning. I never desired to have the mines nationalised by such a Government as we have at the present time. I have no desire to nationalise the mines and have them carried on under bureaucratic control, but I feel sure the ultimate ownership by the people of their own mining property is as sure as that to-morrow's sun will rise."



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"THE CALL OF ABRAHAM."

REV. H. COPLEY MOYLE'S SERMON AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

The Rev. H. Copley Moyle, who preached the sermon at the morning service on Sunday, took for his text "And in Thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed" (Genesis xii, v.3), and said:

The first eleven chapters of Genesis are generally regarded to-day by Bible scholars as giving us spiritual teaching under an allegorical form. They are not taken as historical, but when we come to the twelfth chapter we enter upon events which are in the main historical. There are some extreme critics who would explain away the historical character of Abraham and the patriarchs, but on very flimsy grounds.

The late Dr. Driver, who was probably the greatest English authority on the subject, wrote in his commentary on the book of Genesis, with regard to the stories of Abraham and his sons, "The substance of the narrative is, no doubt, historical; though the character and experiences seem to be idealized. We cannot, for instance, suppose that we have, so to speak, a photographic record of all that was said or done, however difficult it may be to estimate the strength of memory and of oral tradition in these patriarchal times, when the conditions were so different from our own, it is scarcely possible that the recollection of such minutiae as are here often recorded should have been transmitted unaltered during the many centuries which intervened between the times at which the patriarchs lived, and that at which their biographies were ultimately committed to writing. The outline of these narratives, we may confidently hold, was supplied by tradition, but in the details something at any rate will be due to the historical imagination of the narrators."

Up till the latter part of the last century, Bible students had practically no sources of information about the conditions of life in these patriarchal times, except what the Bible afforded, but during the last fifty or sixty years a whole flood of light has been thrown upon the events and habits of those early times by the discoveries of explorers in the buried cities of Babylonia and Assyria. Of the discoveries made, one of the most interesting, as throwing light on the habits and customs of people in those early days, was the finding of the stone column on which were recorded the laws of Hammurabi. This discovery was made in the year 1901 by a French expedition sent to investigate the ruins of Susa, once the capital of Elam and later the capital of Persia. Hammurabi was the sixth King of the first dynasty of Babylon, and he reigned between forty and fifty-five years somewhere about 2,100 years before the birth of Christ. He had for some time had a special interest for Bible students as he was thought to be identical with the Amraphel mentioned in the 14th chapter of Genesis. He was known as a lawgiver, but little was known of his laws. Since the discovery of this column in 1901 Hammurabi has become one of the leading names of antiquity. The column is a block of stone 7 feet 4½ inches in height, and 4 feet 11 inches in circumference. On the upper end is a large carving in relief, representing Hammurabi standing before the Babylonian sun-god (Samash), and it is supposed that this is intended to suggest that the god dictated the laws to Hammurabi—but this supposition has little to support it. Probably this column was made for the temple of the god Samash, and if it had been made for the temple of some other god, *e.g.*, Merodach, then the column would have shown Hammurabi worshipping Merodach. The code of laws engraved on the column shows us what a highly civilised State Babylon was. To mention only a few of the subjects of these laws, we find laws concerning the following matters: relations between the King and the people; laws of libel; laws of slavery and kidnapping; relations between landlords and tenants; responsibility with regard to the bursting of dams; relations of business men, merchant and retailer and middleman; prosecution for debt; marriage laws; matrimonial property laws and conditions of remarriage; marriages between free persons and slaves; the laws of inheritance; the obligations of nurses; fees of the higher order of doctors and penalties to which they were liable; fees of doctors of an inferior order; charges payable to house builders and penalties to which they were liable; charges of ship builders; regulations as to owning, hiring and manning ships; as to collisions between ships; hiring of oxen and other animals; a scale of wages for labourers and artisans; regulations regarding slaves. The column gives us a different idea of the life of Babylonia in the days of Abraham from the idea generally held in the last century. It shows us that society was highly organised and carefully regulated in the days of Hammurabi, and that it was from such a highly organised city life that Abraham was called by God to depart. He had become a worshipper of the one God and he was to go out from the idolatry prevailing round him that the faith in God might be strengthened and maintained. Abraham was not by any means perfect: in fact the verses which immediately follow the text show us Abraham in a most unfavourable light, and he falls below the standard of honour of the heathen King of Egypt, and is reproved by him. In spite of his failings Abraham had a capacity for faith.

The wishes and commands of God were real to him and so he obeyed the call of God to leave his home and his relations, and to adventure himself and his belongings into the unknown country which was after many years to belong to his descendants.

(*Continued at foot of next column.*)

So to-day we speak of Abraham as the father of the faithful, because he had sufficient faith to leave his birthplace at God's bidding. Had he remained amongst the idolatries of the Chaldean city of Ur, he might have lost the glimpse of the true God which was his, and if he had been able to maintain it, certainly his descendants would have lost it. So God called him out of Ur, and through him and his descendants God gradually gave a more complete revelation of Himself, till in the process of time and after the lapse of more than 2,000 years the time was at least ripe for the great step in the self-revelation of God to man and our Lord Jesus Christ was born of the seed of Abraham. So we see God slowly working out His purpose for the salvation and enlightenment of the human race, and still He is working and still His purpose is not attained. But God is not in a hurry, for He is above and beyond all time, and slowly His will must be accomplished—just as He took millions of years to make this earth on which we live, so He does not rush the work of men's salvation and the fuller revelation of Himself to us is long in being fully understood. Meanwhile the attitude of the Christian must be that of Abraham, an attitude of faith. We must trust God. We must rely on the revelation which has come to us through Jesus Christ, and while we do our duty in this world we must not forget that we, like Abraham and his descendants, desire a better country, that is heavenly. We are put into this world to serve God. Are we doing it to the best of our ability? Surely with all of us, if we are perfectly candid with ourselves, the answer must be "No." Then let us pay attention to our Church when she calls us to use the season of Lent as a time to be more than usually given to God. "In quietness and confidence shall be your strength." I *do not wish for a moment* to make anyone believe that religion consists in going to church. Religion is a matter of one's whole everyday life, and it is possible to be regular in attendance at church and yet to be very far from God. But this I do say that worship is a duty which man owes to his maker, and we ought to make special effort to worship God during Lent and to prepare for our Easter Communion. I would ask everyone who is here this morning to make a special effort to attend church more frequently in Lent and to try to bring some one who has fallen away from the habit of church attendance, and let us remember that mere attendance at church is not worship any more than striking the keys of a piano is music. Worship needs the concentration of one's whole mind and spirit on God. Worship is not easy; it is very difficult, it is very fatiguing. But real, whole-hearted worship is always accepted by God and lifts us to the atmosphere of heaven.

SECRET TRIALS.

MR. JUSTICE DARLING'S PROTEST.

Mr. Justice Darling, at the Central Criminal Court recently, repeated the protest which he had made on several occasions against the provision in the Incest Act, 1908, requiring that all proceedings under that Act should be held *in camera*. After the termination of a case of incest, during the hearing of which the Press representatives and the public had been excluded from the Court, Mr. Justice Darling said:—

I desire to say something in the presence of the Press concerning a case which I have just dealt with. Two people, brother and sister, were indicted here to-day for the crime of incest. They pleaded "Guilty." The evidence showed that they went to live together in 1905. The result of their cohabitation has been the birth of nine children of which they are the parents. Six of the children are dead; one of the living ones is mentally deficient; and as to the others, they appear to be miserable creatures, but they are at present young and it is difficult to say how decrepit they are. The evidence is that the woman was careful in the bringing up of them as careful as she could be in the circumstances. When these people began cohabitation incest was not a crime punished by the law of England. It had been punished in the Ecclesiastical Courts long ago, but had ceased to be punished, and Parliament very properly intervened in 1908 and made it a criminal offence punishable with seven years' penal servitude. At that time these two particular people had been living together for three years. They received no sort of information, so far as I can discover, that what they were doing was a crime. Their relations knew they were living together in this way, and nothing occurred. So far I am satisfied that it never was brought home to them what they were doing was punishable.

I am strictly complying with the Act of Parliament, of course, which says that all proceedings under this Act shall be held *in camera*. I shall not mention the names nor the sentence passed. I say what I do now because I think that it is high time that this restriction concerning trials for incest should be removed, and that the public should know what passes in a Court of Justice in cases such as this. The details in these cases are not one whit more shocking or disgusting than the details in cases under the Criminal Law Amendment Act or rape, and are really nothing like as unedifying as many cases tried in the Divorce Court reported almost every day in the week. Why these cases should be selected to be tried *in camera*, and people kept in ignorance of the very fact that this is a crime and the punishment awarded for it, I cannot conceive. I do not know whether there is a Judge on the Bench who approves of it, and I myself certainly disapprove of it. If there was a Grand Jury—and I hope they are only temporarily abolished—I should say to them what I am now saying. I hope that some one will raise the question in Parliament, and that this provision in the Statute of 1908 will at all events be considered by the Government, and the Law officers especially, from the point of view that it is perfectly useless and that it does no good comparable with the harm it achieves.



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After the toasts of "The King," "The President of China" and "The Emperor of Japan" had been pledged, the Chairman proposed the health of H.E. the Chinese Minister and Madame Sze. He said his Excellency had been very kind and friendly to the Japan Society. They all regretted that he and his charming wife were leaving them soon. (Hear, hear.) He (the Japanese Ambassador) had spent a great many years in China. Many changes had taken place and were taking place in that country—politically, socially, and in other directions. Under these circumstances China was to be congratulated upon having an intelligent man like their guest representing China abroad. (Cheers.) He heard that he was going to Washington. Friendship with America was necessary, not only in Europe, not only in Japan, but in China, and he, at least, was glad that China was sending a man like his Excellency to represent that country in Washington. (Cheers.) He carried with him their best goodwill and wishes. (Hear, hear.) They would all remember him and, whatever happened in China, he (the chairman) could assure him that China would have the sincere support not only of England but of America and of Japan. (Cheers.)

INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP.

His Excellency Sao-Ke Sze, in acknowledgment, said: On behalf of my wife and myself I have to express our sincere thanks to the Japan Society for the compliment they have been good enough to pay us in inviting us to this farewell gathering. We appreciate deeply the very kind remarks that have just been made about us, and also the very cordial manner in which, you, ladies and gentlemen, have received this toast. The courtesies that have been extended to us by the Japan Society since our arrival in this country, over six years ago, have been many, and our relations with the members of the society have been most pleasant and agreeable. In future years when we glance back over the period of our residence in this country, we shall always recall with much pleasure the many occasions on which we have enjoyed the gracious hospitality of the society. To me the gathering to-day has many points of significance. The first point to be noted is that learned societies like the Japan Society, the China Society, the Royal Asiatic Society, and many others have been founded by the English people in this great metropolis for the purpose of better acquainting themselves with foreign countries, and their civilisation and institutions. Although institutions in England such as those for education, art, literature, and others are well advanced and highly developed, the English people are still eager to study the language, customs, religion, etc., of other people. The spirit with which they go about it is in itself commendable, and well worthy of imitation, and goes to show the largeness of their mind and the broadness of their outlook—the characteristics of a great race. (Hear, hear.) The second point that strikes me is that this meeting proves that while East may be East and West West in certain things, there is a broad field of human intercourse on which we can meet and act in common. The assertion that the twain, East and West, shall never meet, whatever it means, is certainly not true in every particular. Gatherings like this prove that we can meet, and do meet, and act in common, and both benefit largely thereby. (Cheers.) A further point is, that meetings such as we are now having do assist, and are instrumental in knitting closer the ties of international friendship. We will all learn to know each other better than before. We may find that there are many things of the one which the other can profitably study and appreciate. That is to say, that while there is much that the East may learn from the West, there may be many things which the West can learn from the East. (Cheers.) His Excellency concluded by wishing prosperity to the Japan Society and happiness to its members.

Proposing the health of the Japanese Ambassador his Excellency said his personal relations with Baron Hayashi had been very pleasant, as they had also been with his two distinguished predecessors—Marquis Inouye and Count Chinda. From what he knew of him he was confident that the members of the several communities in London who might have relations, official or social, with him, would have reason to consider themselves fortunate that the duty of maintaining the reputation of the Japanese Embassy for easy accessibility had fallen on Baron Hayashi. (Cheers.)

The Chairman acknowledged the compliment.

On the suggestion of Sir Edward Cooper, who remarked that during his year of office as Lord Mayor, he had collected, for one charity or another, close on £1,000,000—(cheers)—a collection was taken on behalf of the starving people in North China, with the result that a sum of £85 was contributed.

Amongst those present were Sir John N. Jordan, Vice-Admiral R. H. Anstruther, Sir Charles Addis, Mr. Yada (Japanese Consul-General), and Mr. F. Anderson (chairman, Chinese Association).

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KOBE	"YATSHING"	Sat.,	12th Feb., D'light.
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Wing Chow, Chinese str., 313 tons, Capt. Kwok Shan, from Hoihow, with a general cargo.—Order.

February 6th.

Hok Canton, Chinese str., 556 tons, Capt. Leung Long, from K. C. Wan, with a general cargo.—Order.

February 7th.

Chefoo, Chinese str., 684 tons, Capt. Wilks, from Hongay, with coal.—Hung Shun.

Glenfalloch, British str., 1,434 tons, Capt. A. Hill, from Singapore, with a general cargo.—Seng Soon Hong.

Hanoi, French str., 739 tons, Capt. F. Morvan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo.—A. P. Lapicpue.

Hunan, British str., 1,228 tons, Capt. A. V. Harrison, from Swatow, in ballast.—B. & S.

Kansu, British str., 1,143 tons, Capt. Sutor, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

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Shun Cheong, Chinese str., 235 tons, Capt. Leung Sam Kong, from K. C. Wan and Macao, with a general cargo.—Wai Yee.

Sinkiang, British str., 1,616 tons, Capt. W. Puckett, from Canton, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

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The s.s. *Lisbon Maru* (N.Y.K. Hamburg line) left Shanghai for this port on February 6th, and is expected here on February 10th.

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Elpenor (Blue Funnel), due March 20th.
Idomeneus (Blue Funnel), due March 3rd.
Jason (Blue Funnel), due March 10th.
Kaga Maru (N.Y.K), from Japan, due February 9th.
Keemun (Blue Funnel line), from Europe, due February 20th.
Kitano Maru (N.Y.K.), from London, due March 2nd.
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Pawlet (Admiral line), due March 7th.
Pyrrhus (Blue Funnel), due March 31st.
Saitsuma (Barber line), from New York, due about February 15th.
Taian Maru (N.Y.K.), from Calcutta, due February 14th.
Tango Maru (N.Y.K.), from Australia, due February 14th.
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WEATHER REPORT.

February 7th, at 11.25.—Pressure has increased slightly from Vladivostock to the Philippines. It is nearly stationary at Hongkong.

The anti-cyclone is probably moving eastward.

The monsoon will be interrupted to the north of Foochow, and will moderate along the south-east coast.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.23 inches against an average of 1.89 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

District	Forecast.
Hongkong to Gap Rock	E. winds, fresh fine to cloudy.
Formosa Channel	N.E. winds strong, moderating.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks	N.E. winds, fresh.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	East winds, moderate.

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February 7th, 1921.

Station.	Hour	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature	Humidity	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.
Vladivostock	8 a.	30.28	9	—	WNW	1	b
Nemuro	5 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hakodate	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oshima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ishigakijima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bonin Island	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Weihaiwei	6 a.	30.42	30	100	W	1	b
Hankow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ichang	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kiukiang	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Changsha	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	"	30.47	28	100	N	1	b
Gutzlaff	"	30.41	34	100	NNW	1	b
Sharp Peak	7 a.	30.37	50	61	ENE	4	b
Amoy	6 a.	30.17	45	88	ENE	2	o
Swatow	"	30.20	47	86	N	1	b
Taihoku	"	30.25	52	80	E	4	o
Taichu	"	30.15	50	—	NNE	2	b
Tainan	"	30.12	46	—	N	4	b
Koshun	"	30.06	63	—	NNE	6	b
Pescadores	"	30.17	54	—	E	7	b
Canton	"	30.53	45	76	N	2	b
Hongkong	"	30.18	51	69	NE	1	b
Gap Rock	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Macao	"	30.15	48	73	NNE	4	b
Wuchow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Honhow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phulien	7 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tourane	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cape St. James	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aparri	6 a.	29.94	70	98	NE	3	r
Dagupan	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	"	29.87	73	85	NNE	2	o
Legaspi	"	29.85	75	94	—	0	o
Tacloban	"	29.82	75	94	WNW	1	o
Iloilo	"	29.80	75	94	NE	2	o
Surigao	"	29.81	75	96	NE	1	o
Guam	4.30	29.92	—	—	NE	4	b
Labuan	6 a.	29.76	78	91	SW	4	b

1. Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches tenths and hundredths.

2. Temperature, in the shade, in degree Fahrenheit.

3. Humidity, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4. Direction of Wind, to two points.

5. Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

6. State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squal, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

7. Rain, in. inches, t tenths and hundredths.

T. F. Claxton, *Director.*

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, February 7th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	30.16	30.18	30.19
Temperature ...	60	51	59
Humidity ...	46	52	54
Wind Direction	East	NE	East
" Force	2	1	3
Weather... ...	b	b	c
Rain ...	—	—	—

Highest open-air Temperature on 6th...61
Lowest open-air Temperature on 7th...50

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Should the Time Ball be out of order the above routine will be carried out with the flag "Z" on the Storm Signal mast.

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SHANGHAI & PUKOW	"SINKIANG"	On 8th Feb.,	D'light.
SHANGHAI	"KANSU"	On 9th Feb.,	9 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"SUNNING"	On 11th Feb.,	3 P.M.
BANGKOK	"KANCHOW"	On 12th Feb.,	3 P.M.
SHANGHAI and TSINGTAO	"YINGCHOW"	On 12th Feb.,	4 P.M.
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KAIFONG"	On 13th Feb.,	9 A.M.
SWATOW and BANGKOK	"LUCHOW"	On 15th Feb.,	9 A.M.
AMOY, SHANGHAI & PUKOW	"SHANTUNG"	On 15th Feb.,	Noon.
TIENTSIN	"KWANGSE"	On 15th Feb.,	4 P.M.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"TIENTSIN"	On 16th Feb.,	D'light.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"DUNERA"	5,400	15th Feb.	S'pore, Colombo, & Bombay.
"KASHGAR"	9,000	4th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DILWARA"	5,400	9th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"ALIPORE"	5,300	16th Mar.	do.
"KARMALA"	9,000	18th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	9,000	25th Mar.	do.
"KHIVA"	9,000	1st Apr.	do.

BRITISH INDIA - APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"TARADA"	7,000	18th Feb.	Calcutta via S'pore & R'goon.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

* "KANOWNA"	7,000	15th Feb.	Sandakan, Thursday Island, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane,
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	9th Mar.	Sydney & Melbourne.

* Calls at Iloilo

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"ALIPORE"	5,300	14th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan.
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Consignees are reminded of the necessity to apply to the Company's Agents regarding arrival of consignments expected of which they have received documents or advice.

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"SHISEN MARU" Sunday, 6th Mar

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE—Monthly service taking cargo to New Zealand and Pacific Islands.

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Steamer	Arr. Hongkong from Australia	Lv. Hongkong for Australia
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"TAIYUAN"	13th Mar.	16th Mar.

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† SIBERIA MARU	20,000	...March 19th
SHINYO MARU	22,000	...April 27th,

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SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMER & DISPLACEMENT	SAILING DATES
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"PORTHOS" ...20,000	On or about 8th Feb.
	"CORDILLERE" ...10,000	On or about 24th Feb
	"CHILI" ...10,000	On or about 18th Mar.
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POST OFFICE NOTICE

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

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The Post Office will be entirely closed on Tuesday, the 8th February. There will be no delivery or collection of correspondence from the Pillar Boxes. Non-boxholders may, however, obtain their ordinary correspondence on application at the enquiry counter at the South-west corner of the G. P. O.

On Wednesday, 9th February, the Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., and there will be one delivery of ordinary and registered correspondence, and one collection of correspondence from the Pillar Boxes on that day.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

The District Offices will be closed all day on Tuesday, the 8th February.

On Wednesday, the 9th February, the District Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. with the exception of Kowloon Office, which will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. only, and Sheungwan Office which will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

There will be one delivery from District Offices at noon.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due.
Shanghai	*Kweilin* ...	8th inst.
Saigon	*Porthos*	8th inst.
Shanghai	*Yingchow*	8th inst.
Shanghai	*Tean*	9th inst.
Shanghai ... —	*Kaga Maru*	9th inst.
Shanghai	*Lisbon Maru* ...	10th inst.
Shanghai	*Shantung*	11th inst.
Europe via Suez (Letters only London 13th Jan.)	*Alps Maru* ...	11th inst.
Shanghai	*Tientsin* ...	12th inst.
Japan	*Tsushima Maru*	13th inst.
Straits	*Taian* ...	14th inst.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand	*Tango Maru* ...	14th inst.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Shanghai and Japan	*Porthos* ...	Tuesday, 8th, 9.00 A.M.
Saigon	*Mattawa*	Wednesday, 9th, 9.00 A.M.
Hoihow and Haiphong	*Takasag* ..	Wednesday, 9th, 9.00 A.M.
Java Ports via Batavia	*Macassar Maru* ...	Wednesday, 9th, 9.00 A.M.
Straits, *Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via Dhanushodi, Egypt, and *EUROPE via MARSEILLES	*Kaga Maru*	Thursday, 10th, Registration 8.45 A.M. Letters ... 9.30 A.M.
Straits, *Bangkok, Egypt and *EUROPE via MARSEILLES ...	*Lycaon* ...	Thursday, 10th, Registration 9.45 A.M. Letters ... 10.30 A.M.
Shanghai, North China, Japan Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C. ...	*Empress of Russia*	Thursday, 10th, Registered ... 1.00 P.M. Letters ... 1.45 P.M.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow and Haiphong ..	*Hanoi*	Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	*Waishing*	Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and N. China	*Sunseng*	Friday, 11th, 2.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands	*Yuensang*	Friday, 11th, 2.00 P.M.
Samshui and Wuchow	*Tai Ming*	Friday, 11th, 4.30 P.M.
Shanghai, and North China	*Chipshing* ..	Friday, 11th, 5.00 P.M.
Japan	*Yatshing*	Friday, 11th, 5.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands, *Shanghai, *North China, *Japan *Canada, *United States, *Central and South America, and *EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.	*Suwa Maru*	Saturday, 12th, Registration 8.45 A.M. Letters ... 9.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haihong*	Saturday, 12th, 1.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	*Yingchow*	Saturday, 12th, 2.00 P.M.
Bangkok	*Kanchow*	Saturday, 12th, 2.00 P.M.

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"HELENUS" 8th Mar. London, Amsterdam & Hamburg.
"STENTOR" 11th Mar. London, Amsterdam & Antwerp.
"NINGCHOW" 22nd Mar. London, Amsterdam & Hamburg.

LIVERPOOL SERVICE
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"LYCAON" 10th Feb. Marseilles & Liverpool.
"KNIGHT TEMPLAR" 13th Feb. Genoa, Havre & Liverpool.
"TITAN" 1st Mar. Genoa, Havre, L'pool & Glasgow
"ACHILLES" 6th Mar. Genoa, M'lles, L'pool & G'gow.

PACIFIC SERVICE
(via Kobe and Yokohama).

"TEUCER" 23rd Feb.
"TALTHYBIUS" 16th Mar. } Victoria, Seattle, Tacoma &
"TYNDAREUS" 6th Apr. } Vancouver.

NEW YORK SERVICE
(via Suez or Panama).

"EURYPYLUS" 2nd Mar. via Suez.

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"MENTOR" 22nd Feb. for London.
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"STENTOR" 11th Mar. for London.
"IDOMENEUS" 12th Apr. for Liverpool.
"PYRRHUS" 3rd May, for London.
"ANCHISES" 21st June for Liverpool.
"MENTOR" 5th July for London.
TEIRESIAS" 19th July for London.

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COMMERCIAL.

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

	February 7th
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Telegraphic Transfer	2/5½
Bank Bills, on demand	2/5½
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	2/5½
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/6
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/7½
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/7½
On Paris.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	670
Credits, 4 months' sight	730
On New York.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	47⅞
Credits, at 60 days' sight	50⅛
On Bombay.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	—
Bank Bills, on demand	172½
On Calcutta.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	—
Bank Bills, on demand	172½
On Shanghai.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	—
Private, 30 days' sight	—
On Yokohama.—On demand	97
On Manila.—On demand—Pesos	108½
On Singapore.—On demand	106
On Batavia—On demand	138
On Haiphong.—On demand	nom.
On Saigon.—On demand	—
On Bangkok.—On demand	85½
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Hongkong, December 29th, 1920. [9

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TSUYEE PEI,
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Hongkong, February 7th, 1921. 73

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Deposits F. 885,000,000

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M. MONTARGIS,
Manager.

Hongkong, January 20th, 1921. 51

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Foreign exchange and General Banking business transacted.

Current, Savings, and Fixed Deposits bear interests at rates of 2 per cent., 4 per cent and 5 per cent. per annum, respectively.

L. S. HOLUM
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, October 2nd, 1920. [119

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S. KONDOH,
Manager.

Hongkong Branch,
3, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hongkong, September 1st, 1920. [41

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N. C. WILSON,
Acting Manager.

7, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, June 30th, 1920. [48

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, Limited.

HEAD OFFICE—
No. 2, Queen's Road Central, HONGKONG
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KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, October 1st, 1920. 81

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VERNE CLAIR,
Acting Manager.

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A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, December 29th, 1920 8

THE INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL BANK, LTD.

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J. USANG LY,
Manager.

Hongkong, July 7th, 1919. [80

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Paid up Capital Frs. 68,400,000.00
Reserves Funds Frs. 69,567,903.54

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IN LONDON: The National Provincial and Union Bank of England Ltd. Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais.
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Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

V. MARSOT,
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Hongkong, November 1st, 1920. [66

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